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## CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 26-DEC-2005

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	43-71.25	52-55	54.75	27

## ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 24-Dec-05

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	150,374	162,560

## GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

70.75

## FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

70.54

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	136.00	906
BREASTS - B/S	109.50	4,708
BREASTS - WHOLE	59.00	1,147
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.50	696
LEG QUARTERS	29.50	6,519
WINGS	81.00	2,413

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

**MIDWEST** Preliminary majority prices for next week's deliveries into the Chicago area were unchanged from Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were light, but sufficient for trade needs. Fill-in trade noted into the Ohio area; sized 2 1/2 pound wogs at 63 cents and 3 up wogs at 49 cents. Retail movement was mixed, light to good, best into central city stores. Food service trade was fair to fairly good; best into fast food, sports bars, and some catering. Floor stocks were held in close balance for the most part; weights desirable. Parts trade was quiet and many buyers and sellers had departed for Christmas holiday. Supplies of wings were tight to short and wanted; all other parts were fully available and slow to clear. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings; steady to fully steady on boneless dark meat; about steady, instances weak on breast cuts; and barely steady to weak on bone- in dark meat cuts.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUME SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 23, 2005**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>			
EASTERN REGION	81.70**	84.33	74.75**	EASTERN REGION	79.10**	84.00	68.50**
CENTRAL REGION	81.40**	86.00	75.75**	CENTRAL REGION	78.00	82.80**	68.00**
WESTERN REGION	81.70**	85.60**	76.75**	WESTERN REGION	79.40**	83.40**	69.25**

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

## LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 17-Dec-2005 (PRELIMINARY)

### YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS

Head	164,304
Avg Wt	5.37
Last week	161,899
Same wk yr ago	159,224
Avg Wt	5.22
To-date/2005	8,049,593
To-date/2004	7,829,779

## LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS THOUSANDS
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Head	1,937	2,564
Avg Wt	15.67	38.78
Last week	2,229	2,785
Same wk yr ago	1,727	2,477
Avg Wt	15.41	38.26
To-date/2005	92,117	129,182
To-date/2004	87,237	128,098

## FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	103.00 - 108.00	105.44
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	156.00	156.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	95.00	95.00
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT	-	-

## FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	649.00 765.00	715.02
168 3 Round, top inside round	193.09 213.00	195.71
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	519.00 565.84	538.47
Ground Beef 81%	120.00 140.00	128.05

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